

Installation Guide of Load Cell

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1 Load Cell Overview

Load cell is used to measure the rod load directly in RPC application. The measurement principle: metal resistance varies due to the strain, proportional to the force applied to it. It is also called strain gauge.

Diagram of excitation voltage added to the load cell bridge (mv output per Excitation V):



Unico currently uses both AW load cell and Flintec load cell.

- PN 325396: 0-15000 lbs AW Load cell with Unico 3 wire 4-20 ma board PN 325085
- PN 325057: 0-30000 lbs AW Load cell with Unico 3 wire 4-20 ma board PN 325056
- PN 325397: 0-45000 lbs AW Load cell with Unico 3 wire 4-20 ma board PN 325086
- PN 325058: 0-60000 lbs AW load cell with Unico 3 wire 4-20 ma board PN 325056
- PN 935935: 0-30000 lbs Flintec load cell with Flintec 2 wire 4-20 ma board.

Notes:

- 1.AW load cells are only good to use without barrier.
- 2.AW load cell PN 325057 (30000 lbs) might be only type shipped in the past RPC orders before 2013, which can work with C1D2 barrier with modified curve, up to 26000 lbs.
- 3.AW Load cell operation temperature is limited by the rev0 3 wire 4-20 ma board, which can operate at 0-70C. It is extended to -40 to 85C with rev1 of 4-20 ma board.
- 4. Flintec load cell PN 935935 (30000 lbs) has operation temperature range: -40C to 87C. It is good to use with or without C1D2 barrier, recommended in all new orders of 30000 lbs application.

2 Load Cell Cable

Several load cell cables are available, depends on length requirement. The connection scheme is the same.

Example of PN 112796:

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	ПЕМ	PART NO.	QTY.	DESCRIPTION
	1	925-004	2	CONN 7/P M CIR SOLDER STR-PLUG 7-#16AWG
	2	916-541	4	HDWR JUMPER 0.300 X 0.250 T22
\wedge	3	914-532	2	HDWR CONN BUSHING .312 CBL MS3420-6
_	4	929-845	250 FT	COND CABLE 18/AWG 2/PAIR 2/LEAD INDIVIDUAL SHIELDED
\wedge	5	926-285	4	CONN SEALING PIN FOR 925004 CONNECTOR
	6			
	7	BIN STOCK	1	LABEL
	8			
	9			



CONNECTION DIAGRAM



3 Installation of Load Cell and Setup

3.1 AW Load Cell Installation and Setup

3.1.1 AW Load Cell Installation

AW load cells are direction sensitive, direction is labeled as the picture below:

Unico 30K Pump Jack Load Cell Installation Instructions



Arrow points to the load side.

The following PN# is referred to AW load cells:

- PN 325396: 0-15000 lbs AW Load cell with Unico 3 wire 4-20 ma board PN 325085
- PN 325057: 0-30000 lbs AW Load cell with Unico 3 wire 4-20 ma board PN 325056
- PN 325397: 0-45000 lbs AW Load cell with Unico 3 wire 4-20 ma board PN 325086
- PN 325058: 0-60000 lbs AW load cell with Unico 3 wire 4-20 ma board PN 325056

Lock load cell cable to load cell handle:



Special washer may be needed. Contact Unico on the detailed info of the washer.

3.1.2 AW Load Cell Wiring

AW Load cell signal is wired directly to DSP board TB2:





AW Load cell signal is wired to DSP board TB2 Thru C1D2 barrier:

Since 325057 is 3 wire 4-20 ma board, the barrier is always in current limiter mode (LED of Weidmuler is always on). A modified load cell curve must be used to overcome the voltage drop across the barrier. Refer to next section of the AW load cell setup with barrier.

3.1.3 AW Load Cell Setup with direct connection

The following items need to setup for using the load cell:

load cell source				
Choose one of the available inputs. An error message will appear if the Input has already				
associated with another signal or the Input is not available.				
Visibility:	menu visibility = MAXIMIZE			
Units: <i>enum</i>	Default: ADC1			
load cell min		read/write		
The minimum value	e for the scaling of the input.			
Visibility:	load cell source is not DISABLED			
Units: lb/kg	Default: 0			
load cell max		read/write		
The maximum value for the scaling of the input.				
Visibility:	load cell source is not DISABLED			
Units: lb/kg	Default: 50000			
load cell min volts		read/write		
The minimum voltage expected at the analog input.				
Visibility:	load cell source is not DISABLED			
Units: volts	Min: -10.000 Max: 10.000 Default: 0.000			
load cell max volts				
The maximum voltage expected at the analog input.				
Visibility:	load cell source is not DISABLED			
Units: volts	Min: -10.000 Max: 10.000 Default: 0.000			

TB2-2 to TB2-4 are correspondent to ADC 1 to ADC 3.

Example: if TB2-2 is wired to load cell signal out, load cell source should be ADC 1

load cell min: set to 0.

Load cell max: set to

- 15000 lb for load cell PN 325396
- 30000 lb for load cell PN 325057
- 45000 lb for load cell PN 325397
- 60000 lb for load cell PN 325058

load cell min volts: set to 2 V load cell max volts: set to 10 V

3.1.4 AW Load Cell Setup with Barrier

The excitation voltage is dropped across the barrier, the gain of ma signal out vs load is reduced a lot. A modified curve must apply.

Currently only 30K AW load cell PN 325056 has the available modified curve with Weidmuler barrier PN 932-186:



load cell min: set to 0. Load cell max: set to 26000 lb load cell min volts: set to 2 V load cell max volts: set to 4.5 V

Notes: it is not recommended to use AW load cell id C1D2 barrier is required. The modified curve is only applied to existing installation. For the order load cell with barrier, always use Flintec load cell.

3.2 Flintec Load Cell Installation and Setup

Flintec Load cell is recommended for all new orders of 30000 lbs. It has 3 wire and 2 wire 4-20 ma output types. PN935935 is referred to 2 wire type only.



3.2.1 Flintec Load Cell Installation direction

Flintec load cell does not have any preferred loading orientation as it is a compression load cell from both sides.

Installation direction either:



Or:



Dimension:



Specification:

Maximum Capacity (Emax)	klb	30
Metric equivalents (1klb = 0.45359 t)	+	13.6
Temperature effect on zero output (TC0)	%*RO/°C	±0.027 (±0.0015 %*RO/°F)
Temperature effect on sensitivity (TCR0)	%*RO/°C	±0.036 (±0.002 %*RO/°F)
Non-linearity	%*RO	±0.05
Hysteresis	%*RO	±0.05
Repeatability	%*RO	±0.02
Rated Output (RO)	mA	4-20
Zero balance	%*RO	±1
Excitation voltage	V	515
Input resistance	Ohm	800 ± 50
Output resistance	Ohm	700 ± 0.5%
Insulation resistance (100VDC)	MOhm	>= 500
Safe load limit	%*Emax	200
Compensated temperature range	°C	-25+65 (-14+150°F)
Operating temperature range	°C	-55+88 (-70+190°F)
Load cell material		SS 17-4PH
Sealing		Complete hermetic sealing
Protection according EN 60529		IP68 (up to 2m water depth) / IP69K

3.2.2 Flintec Load Cell Wiring

Load cell Connector pin layout:



Amphenol Connector Type MIL-DTL-5015

Connector Pin	3-wire config	2-wire config
A	Not Connected	Not Connected
В	PWR/Output GND	Cable Shield
С	Not Connected	Not Connected
D	Output	GND/TX-
E	Not Connected	Not Connected
F	Supply	Supply/TX+
G	Not Connected	Not Connected

The 3-wire config is not applied to PN935935.

Example of Load cell signal is wired directly to DSP board TB2:





Example of Load cell signal is wired to DSP board TB2 Thru C1D2 barrier:

3.2.3 Flintec Load Cell Setup

Setup of Flintec load cell PN 935935 is the same no matter C1D2 barrier is used or not.

load cell source: set to the ADC that is used for the load cell input load cell min: **set to 0** Load cell max: set to **30000 lb** load cell min volts: **set to 2 V** load cell max volts: **set to 10 V**

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